**Italian IB Language B Written Assignment Preparation**

The written assignment is to be 300-400 words, and must include a 150-200 word rationale.

**This summer in preparation for the assignment you will need to choose a subject within one of the core topics and find 3 related articles. Your articles must be 300-400 words.**

**Core Topics:**

**Communication & Media** (internet, cellphones, bias in the media, mail, the press, radio and television)

**Social Relationships** (minorities, celebrations, religious events, family relationships, social behavior, taboos, mammoni)

**Global Issues** (drugs, energy, global warming, the environment and sustainability, natural disasters, famine, poverty)

Upon your return I may assist and guide your decision as to a subject/thesis. Once this decision is made, I can provide you no further assistance. The written assignment must be a word-processed document composed outside of class. You are invited and encouraged to use dictionaries, conjugation charts, textbooks, and other non-annotated reference materials.

**The task**: The subject should have a specific focus. The content must be linked to the core topic and based on the information gathered from the three sources (articles, blogs, interviews, etc.) Students should produce a piece of writing**, in the form of** one of the following text types: article, blog/diary entry, brochure/leaflet/flyer/pamphlet/advertisement, essay, interview, speech/talk/presentation, news report, official report, review, instructions/guidelines, or written correspondence.

**The rationale**: Students must write a 150-200-word rationale introducing the assignment, stating their aim(s) and how their aim(s) have been achieved.

\*You will be deducted points for failing to write between 300-400 words. Direct quotation is permitted, but does NOT count toward word count. If you exceed the 400 word limit, your assignment will be graded according to the first 400 words and rationale.

\*You will be assessed on three criteria: Rationale & Task (10 marks), Language (8 marks), & Organization and development (6 marks) for a total of 24 marks.